उपर्युक्त गतिविधियों में इसके उपयोग के लिए उपलब्ध निवेशों पर निर्भर करती है ।

(ख) असम में उत्पादित सम्बद्ध गैस का एक भाग जलाया जा रहा है क्योंकि उस क्षेत्र में पर्याप्त औद्योगिक मूल आधारभूत सुविधाओं का अभाव है, गैस की सप्लाई उन उपभोक्ताओं को की जा रही है जिन्हें इसकी आवश्यकता है। सातवीं योजना अवधि के दौरान ऐसा प्रस्ताव है कि हिन्दुस्तान फर्टिलाईजर्स कारपोरेशन लि०, नामरूप फर्टिलाइजर प्लांट चरण III की फीडस्टाक आवश्यकताओं को पूरा करने के लिए और असम में केन्द्रीय विद्युत प्राधिकरण को विद्युत उत्पादन के लिए गैस की सप्लाई की जायेगी ।

Voters' list in Rajasthan

*396. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the names of a large number of persons who had migrated to Pakistan from the border districts of Barmer, Jaisalmer, Bikaner and Ganganagar in Rajasthan, after the 1965 Indo-Pak armed conflict, continue to remain on the voters' list and that votes are cast in their names; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons for the continuance of their names in the voters' lists ever after their migration to Pakistan and what steps have been taken by Government to up-date the voters' list by deleting their names?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) and (b) The Election Commission who was contacted in the matter has stated that the Information is being collected from the Chief Electoral Officer, Rajasthan. The same will be laid on the Table of the House as soon as it is received.

Post offices in Allahabad

*397. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of Post Offices, Sub Post Offices and Branch Post Offices etc. at present, functioning in Allahabad in the State of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) how many of them are located in the rural areas and city areas; and

(c) whether there is any proposal to open new Post Offices in that region etc. and if so, where and by when they will start functioning?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) In Allahabad district as a whole there are 494 post offices which consists of 2 Head Post Offices, 143 sub post offices and 349 branch post offices.

(b) Out of the 494 post offices in the district, 81 are in urban and 413 are in rural areas.

(c) No, Sir. In view of the ban on creation of posts, the increasing deficits incurred in postal operations and considering the fact that the postal network is well developed in most areas of the country, no programme is being implemented at present to open new post offices. However, postal facilities can be extended to new areas and localities by appointment of licensed postal agents under a scheme recently introduced by the Department.

Functional Directors in EPI

*398. DR. RUDRA PRATAP SINGH:

SHRIMATI USHA MALHOTRA:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) how many functional Directors were in position in Engineering Projects (India) Limited (EPI) in April, 1983 in addition to a whole time Chairman-cum-Managing Director;

(b) whether there is only one functional Director in position today when there is no Chairman-cum-Managing Director;

(c) whether Government expect E.P.I. to function properly with only one Director and with no Chairman-cum-Managing Director; and

(d) if reply to part (c) above be in the negative, what are the reasons for not filling up these posts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) There were three functional Directors in addition to a whole time Chairman-cum-Managing Director in position in E.P.I. in April, 1983.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) Since certain proposal for restructuring of the company are under consideration, a whole-time Chairman-cum-Managing Director and other functional Directors have not been appointed, but the Director, Home Projects, has been authorised to exercise the power of Chairman-cum-Managing Director.

Industrialisation of backward areas

*399. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government grant certain concessions to the States for the setting up of industries in industrially backward areas;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard;

(c) whether Government are aware that certain States are not following the guidelines issued by the Centre in this regard; and

(d) if so, what are the details of the guidelines issued by the Centre in this regard and what action has been taken by Government to ensure the implementation of those guidelines issued by the Centre to facilitate the setting up of industries in the industrially backward areas of the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b) The Government of India offers a number of incentives and concessions to help the entrepreneurs to set up industries in backward areas; details of which are given in the Booklet "Incentives for Industries in Backward Areas" read with Press Note No. 14|2|83-DBA-I dated 9-4-1985, copies of which are available in the Parliament Library. The State Government are also assisted to take up infrastructural development in one or two identified growth centres in each 'No Industry District' and the Centre's share is limited to 1|3rd of the total cost of infrastructural development subject to a maximum of Rs. 2 crores per 'No Industry District'.

The Backward Areas Incentive Schemes are being implemented satisfactorily by the State Governments as would be evident from the following increasing amounts of subsidy reimbursed under Central Investment Subsidy Scheme and Transport Subsidy Scheme:

Year	Amounts (Rs. in crores) Central Investment Subsidy	Transport Subsidy
1982-83	38.50	1.50
1983-84	52.08	1.12
1984-85	82.02	2.98
1985-86 (upto 30-11-85)	64.28	0.82

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Guidelines are given in the booklet referred to above.